2020 Primary Election

Order for Automatic Recount

WHEREAS, NMSA 1978, Section 1-14-24(A)(3) provides that an automatic recount of the vote is required when the canvass of returns for a primary election in certain state offices indicates that the margin between the two candidates receiving the greatest number of votes for the office is less than one percent of the total votes cast for that office in that election;

WHEREAS, NMSA 1978, Section 1-14-24(A) defines those state offices to include the office of county commissioner;

WHEREAS, NMSA 1978, Section 1-13-13, provides that the Colfax County Canvassing Board is the proper canvassing board for Colfax County Commissioner, District 3;

WHEREAS, the canvass of returns for the June 2, 2020 Primary Election for Colfax County Commissioner, District 3 (Republican), between Bret E. Wier and Gary Todd Tatum, resulted in a margin of 0.32 percent, which is less than one percent of the total votes cast for that office in Colfax County;

WHEREAS, Section 1-13-13, provides that the Doña Ana County Canvassing Board is the proper canvassing board for Doña Ana County Commissioner, District 4;

WHEREAS, the canvass of returns for the June 2, 2020 Primary Election for Doña Ana County Commissioner, District 3 (Democrat), between Irma Susana Chaparro and Debra Ann Hathaway, resulted in a margin of 0.64 percent, which is less than one percent of the total votes cast for that office in Doña Ana County;

WHEREAS, Section 1-13-13, provides that the Hidalgo County Canvassing Board is the proper canvassing board for Hidalgo County Commissioner, At Large Position 3;

WHEREAS, the canvass of returns for the June 2, 2020 Primary Election for Hidalgo County Commissioner, At Large Position 3 (Democrat), between Richard Chaires and Anthony Mora, resulted in a margin of 0.23 percent, which is less than one percent of the total votes cast for that office in Hidalgo County;

WHEREAS, Section 1-13-13, provides that the Lincoln County Canvassing Board is the proper canvassing board for Lincoln County Commissioner, District 3;

WHEREAS, the canvass of returns for the June 2, 2020 Primary Election for Lincoln County Commissioner, District 3 (Republican), between Jon Floyd Crunk and James M. Russ II, resulted in a margin of 0.15 percent, which is less than one percent of the total votes cast for that office in Lincoln County;

WHEREAS, upon completion of the county canvass, the county clerks properly notified the Office of the New Mexico Secretary of State that an automatic recount is required on the following dates: Colfax County, June 8, 2020; Doña Ana County, June 11, 2020; Hidalgo County, June 10, 2020; Lincoln County, June 9, 20202; and

WHEREAS, on Tuesday, June 23, 2020, the Secretary of State, pursuant to NMSA 1978, Section 1-14-24(B), properly notified the New Mexico State Canvassing Board that, based upon the results of the June 2, 2020 Primary Election, an automatic recount is required Colfax County Commissioner, District 3 (Republican); Doña Ana County Commissioner, District 4 (Democrat); Hidalgo County Commissioner, At Large Position (Democrat), and; Lincoln County Commissioner, District 3 (Republican);

NOW THEREFORE IT IS ORDERED THAT:

Michelle Lujan Grisham, Governor of New Mexico

- A. Pursuant to NMSA 1978, Section 1-14-24 an automatic recount shall be conducted for Colfax County Commissioner, District 3 (Republican); Doña Ana County Commissioner, District 4 (Democrat); Hidalgo County Commissioner, At Large Position (Democrat), and; Lincoln County Commissioner, District 3 (Republican);
- **B.** The recount for Colfax County Commissioner, District 3 (Republican), shall commence at 8:00 a.m. on Monday, June 29, 2020, in Colfax County Precincts 001, 003, 004, 005, 008 and 009
- C. The recount for Doña Ana County Commissioner, District 4 (Democrat), shall commence at 8:00 a.m. on Monday, June 29, 2020, in Doña Ana County Precincts 005, 059, 061, 062, 064, 065, 066, 067, 102, 105, 106, 109, 112, 116, 117, 118, 119, 121, 122, 125, 126, 128, 129, 130, 131, 132, 133, 134, 135, 137, 138, 139, 140, 141, 142, 143, 144
- **D.** The recount for Hidalgo County Commissioner, At Large Position (Democrat), shall commence at 8:00 a.m. on Monday, June 29, 2020, in Hidalgo County Precincts 001, 002, 003, 004, 005 and 006.
- E. The recount for Lincoln County Commissioner, District 3 (Republican), shall commence at 8:00 a.m. on Monday, June 29, 2020, in Lincoln County Precincts 006, 007 and 010.
- F. The New Mexico Secretary of State shall prescribe the conduct and procedures of the recount pursuant to NMSA 1978, Section 1-14-24(C).

Approved by the New Mexico State Canvassing Board this 23th day of June, 2020:

Maggie Poulouse Oliver, New Mexico Secretary of State

Judith K. Nakamura, Chief Justice of the New Mexico Supreme Court